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The Chanticleer/Danni Lusk
SGA comptroller-elect Crystal Roden talks to a Chanticleer reporter after Monday's SGA meeting. The senate ruled in favor of Roden in a dispute over last week's runoff election.



The Chanticleer/Danni Lusk
Comptroller candidate Marlana Chandler sits between fellow SGA senators Kimmer Merrill and Zach Kilgore at Monday's senate meeting.

Senate declares Roden winner after controversy

By Benjamin Cunningham
The Chanticleer Editor in Chief

After a series of flip-flop decisions, a vote by the SGA senate Monday night made Crystal Roden the comptroller-elect for the 2002-03 academic year.

The top two candidates for the SGA's financial office in the general election held March 5 and 6, Roden and Marlana Chandler, faced each other in a runoff election March 12. Roden was declared the winner in a tight race with a slight 11-vote margin of victory.

The next day Chandler filed a complaint with the senate's election committee alleging that Roden

violated a campaign rule in the SGA's code of laws. The committee met that day to discuss the matter, according to Stephanie Janis, SGA 2nd vice president.

"First we interviewed Crystal and she said she was in the TMB for like, 15 or 20 minutes," Janis told The Chanticleer before the senate's meeting Monday. The committee then interviewed a witness for Chandler, Blake Arthur, who confirmed that he'd seen Roden in the TMB food court.

Based on Roden's and Arthur's testimony the committee decided that Roden had violated section 703.1 of the SGA's code of laws.

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Three JSU students face drug charges

One was student-teaching at local elementary school

By Joshua W. Bingham
The Chanticleer Managing Editor

Three JSU seniors were arrested on drug-possession charges March 11.

Following a drug raid by the Calhoun County Drug Task Force at 4:30 p.m. at 1021 Apache Pass in Saks, roommates Timothy Scott McKelvey, 28, Michael Shane Laros, 26, and Phillip Woodrow Tedder, 27 were each charged with first-degree possession of marijuana. They were also charged with one count of cocaine possession, one count of OxyContin possession and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Task Force supervisor Jason Murray believed the drugs were meant for selling, but because Alabama doesn't have an intent-to-sell law, somebody would have to be caught "red-handed" for further charges.

All suspects have posted \$49,000

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Library's makeover nearly done

By Tomiko Goodman
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

JSU's Houston Cole Library is still under construction, but will soon be completed. The job of changing the library's previous marble exterior to granite has taken place throughout the year.

According to Miller Parnell of JSU's Physical Plant, the project started because the old marble was breaking and school officials were afraid that fragments might fall and hurt someone.

According to the library's Web site, "The exterior of the Houston Cole Library is currently being renovated. The aging white marble panels will be replaced with 'radiant red' granite. Also, a new design will provide a new look for the tallest academic building in Alabama. The red granite will blend with the brick on adjacent buildings, giving a more uniform look to the campus."

JSU's faculty senate meeting minutes, from the 2000-01 academic year, reported that the construction was approved at a cost of \$5 million.

The reconstruction of the library started in August 2001

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Dixon Hall dispute remains unresolved

By Katie Harris
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

After two weeks of miscommunication, the controversy over JSU's Marching Southerners becoming resident assistants is still unresolved.

The Southerners that turned in applications to become RAs for next year were turned down, due to conflicts of schedules. The Southerners' band camp would be taking place at the same time training for RAs would be held.

According to Synette Gandy, director of housing, "The first three weeks before school starts,

that's prime time for any kind of training when you're dealing with student populations."

Gandy believes there is a purpose to the training this year. "We will have a **more** focused group because **they will not** have any excuses not knowing what their job is." She also said that there had been problems with the RAs **not doing their jobs**. "You will always have that person that does



The Chanticleer/Benjamin Cunningham
A Dixon Hall resident's car parked outside the dorm shows the owner's mood over the band's dispute with University Housing.

not take the job seriously."

Gandy said JSU will have about 60 RAs next year. She received over 50 new RA applications and had **"about 30 rehires"** because most of my people are staying,"

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Xi Delta: Thanks for a great Greek Week Mary Beth and Stephen! Good luck to the JSU football team in their Spring Game tonight! Alpha Xi wishes everyone a great Spring Break! Have fun and be safe! Sister of the week: Katie C. New Member of the Week: Christy. **Contact:** Katie Green, 782-7535.

Counseling and Career Services is sponsoring "Have a Safe Spring Break" with a driving course using Fatal Vision Goggles. The course simulates driving under the influence of alcohol. The course will be set up in front of Stephenson Gym on Thursday, March 21 from 12 p.m.- 4 p.m. Please make plans to attend. **Contact:** Rickey Naugher, 782-5475.

Delta Zeta: Happy Birthday Allison G.! Good Luck this weekend Amanda and Tiffany. We're looking forward to our Turtle-Tug! Congrats to our New Members. Awards of the week: Sister- Molly, Tiny Turtle: Heather, Twisted- Molly and Ashley, Support- Taryn, Alumnae- Whitney & LGAA, Baby Turtles- LGAA Rugrats. **Contact:** Tavia, Deltazeta4u@hotmail.com.

Please join us for **JSU's Little River Canyon Field School's** fun-filled programs! Call early to ensure spot! \$5 Edible Plant Workshop, March 23; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$20/person Canyon Hike, April 6; 9 a.m.-3 p.m., \$15/person. Pre-registration required. Don't forget to ask about JSU discount! For full listing of 2002 Field School Events visit: www.jsu.edu/depart/epic/LRCFS.html. **Contact:** Pete W. Conroy, Pconroy@jsucc.jsu.edu or Tatiana Tatum, 782 - 5697 ttatum@jsucc.jsu.edu.

Phi Mu wishes the best of luck to our softball team this week. Congratulations to Craig Mewbourne for winning ZTA's "Big Man on Campus." Good luck to all the Greek Week participants, we hope everyone is having a blast! We wish everybody a safe and fun-filled spring break! **Contact:** Brianna Bladen, 782-6145.

SGA hopes everyone has a Cock-Rockin' Spring Break! See you at the spring concert! Rascal Flatts will be at JSU on April 12 at 8 p.m. in Pete Mathews Coliseum. Tickets are now on sale in Gamecock Fieldhouse. Join SGA ... The Finest of the Flock!. **Contact:** Robert Hayes, 782-5491.

The Society of Professional Journalists presents Cathy Coleman, Public Relations specialist with the Anniston Army Depot, Thursday, March 21, 4 p.m., 236 Self Hall. The annual chapter awards will be held April 4, 4:30 p.m., 236 Self Hall. SPJ will present an award to the Member of the Year. **Contact:** Mike Stedham, 782-5713 to apply by Friday, March 22.

Zeta Tau Alpha: Thanks Pi Kappa Phi for War of the Roses, and congratulations to Rose Queen Ashlee Jones! Awards this week: Candace Calhoun, Toni Merriss and Brandi Harvey. Thanks Mr. Kinney for speaking at our meeting. We'd like to congratulate Crystal Roden, new SGA Controller! Good luck to all Greek Week participants. **Contact:** Amy Yancy 782-6192.

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The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission for any reason. We also reserve the right to edit submissions for style, brevity, and clarity.

CAMPUS CRIME

- March 13 - Cameshia Kantrell Swain, of Jacksonville, reported harassing communications to JSUPD occurring at Fitzpatrick Hall.
- March 13 - Casi Debra Gunter, of Jacksonville, reported robbery to JSUPD occurring at Houston Cole Library.
- March 14 - John Michael Martinez, 19, of Stockbridge, Ga., received a uniform non-traffic citation and complaint from JSUPD for nuisance - unreasonable noise from a vehicle.
- March 15 - Mark Wayne Chandler, 23, of Anniston was arrested by JSUPD for DUI occurring at Forney Avenue and Cole Drive.
- March 18 - Rainer J. Haspel, of Weaver, reported theft of property to JSUPD occurring at Wallace Hall.
- March 18 - Brian C. Brodsky, of Jacksonville, reported burglary to JSUPD occurring at Crow Hall.

Information in the Campus Crime column is obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department in Salls Hall. These records are public documents which any individual has the right to examine under Alabama state law. If you believe this information to be in error, please call 782-5701, or contact JSUPD at 782-5050.

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she said.

Gandy said she only turned down applications that were not completed or ones where the applicant was unable to attend training due to other commitments. Gandy said there are two qualifications for rehire. "They must have performed well and be able to attend training," she said.

The housing department plans on bringing in non-Southerners to be RAs over Dixon Hall, where many of the Marching Southerners reside. However, students could choose to do one or the other - participate in band or be an RA.

Gandy described the Southerners as "a disorganized bunch and it's going to make it very hard on the residents to maintain order on the hall." She also said, "I wish everybody could have what they want, but it's just not going to happen."

Ken Bodiford, band director, said, "I'm so frustrated with it at this point, that I've just kind of given up." He added, "I don't know what else to do. It's obvious something is going on. Everybody is really hush hush about it."

"I don't think the kids want any-

thing to do with housing anymore," Bodiford said. He also said that housing "will realize their mistake, unfortunately, later."

Bodiford said that the current RAs at Dixon have spent their time and money working and painting the residence hall "to make it their home and a nice place for JSU to display."

He also said he thinks this decision will affect the Southerners who were not selected to be RAs for next year. "I think it'll affect them the most when they become alumni and they remember how they were treated."

Dr. Bill Meehan, JSU president, said he understands the time commitments involved with both the Southerners and with the RAs. "The band has particular times when they are very, very busy, and the training that's occurring in August conflicts with the schedule for the Southerners, I understand that."

"I think some of the problems we've had in the past is that some of the RAs have not been able to respect training and there's been some problems with communication," Meehan said. "Because of the safety issues involved, I think it's important to go through training."

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and according to Don Thacker, vice president of University Academic and Business Affairs, "The progress of the construction has gone really well."

Construction workers, heavy machinery and other equipment have become a part of the scenery at Houston Cole Library. It should be back in full operation in mid-summer, Thacker said.

According to Thacker, the project was previously projected to take between 18 to 24 months to complete. The project started off well with the exception of the time spent removing old marble from the side of the library.

The construction workers are finished putting the new granite on the side of the building, but clean up is still in progress, said Thacker. A coating on the concrete has to be added and cork

has to be put between the tiles.

The workers have begun moving some of the heavy machinery and other equipment from the area surrounding the library. For months visitors of the library have had a restricted area in which they could enter the building. Fences and tapes have closed off areas outside of Houston Cole.

Parnell said the project is progressing on schedule. The final painting and repairs to the building, and the cleaning outside of the lobby entrance are all that have to be done, before the building is completed.

Students can visit the library Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturdays from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sundays 3 p.m.-11 p.m. During spring break, the library will close at 4:30 p.m. on March 22, and will reopen March 31 at 3 p.m.

JSU hosts regional ROTC exercise to prepare for national event

By Stephanie Pendergrass
The Chanticleer News Editor

On March 14-17, JSU's ROTC took part in a field training exercise at Fort McClellan. JSU was among seven schools from around the state that took part in the event.

According to Captain Ronnie Preston, ranger instructor and operations officer for JSU's army ROTC program, FTX is "just a training event for the cadets here. The cadets that were there are the junior class and they're going to a camp this summer where they're evaluated on a lot of different tasks. So this is just a preparatory field training exercise to help them get ready to go this summer."

This summer's camp is the National Advance Leadership Course, and it will be held for 35 days at Fort Lewis, in Washington.

The other schools that had cadets at the event were Auburn University, Auburn University at Montgomery, UAB, UNA, Tuskegee University, and Alabama A and M.

According to Preston, "There were 130 students out there that were participating in the events and



Courtesy Chris Kuszniak
Gamecock battalion Cadet Craig Bryant does push-ups at Ft. McClellan Thursday as part of the field training exercise held there last weekend.

then there were about 55 more students from all the schools that helped run the events."

The events that made up FTX included a physical training test, land navigation exercises, a leadership reaction course and a situational training exercise.

In the PT test, cadets were timed and had to do as many pushups and sit-ups as they could. In this event, "Jax State did exceptionally well, in my opinion," Kuszniak said.

In the land navigation exercise, "You're given a map, compass, protractor and you plot points on a

map," said ROTC Cadet Chris Kuszniak. "You use that map, compass, and protractor to tell the direction you go and how far. You have to have dead accuracy to get that point."

In the leadership reaction course, the cadets were put in leadership positions.

In the situational training exercise, according to Preston, "They put them in leadership positions and they have to lead a squad of people, which is about eight or nine people. They have to lead them through different scenarios."

Preston said last week's event was beneficial for JSU's ROTC "because the experience it gives the cadets. It's the first time they really get to interact with students from other schools which is what they have to do this summer."

According to JSU's ROTC Web site, at this summer's National Advance Leadership Course, "[cadets will] put into practice the principles, theories and decision making skills [they] learned back at JSU. [Cadets will] plan and execute tactical missions, and [they'll] shoulder a lot of responsibility as [they] serve in leadership positions

from squad leader to company commander. At the end of six weeks, [cadets will] leave Advanced Camp with renewed pride and increased confidence in [their] abilities as a leader and future officer."

According to the U.S. Army ROTC Web site, "Advanced Camp is the most important training event for an Army ROTC cadet. The 35-day camp incorporates a wide range of subjects designed to develop and evaluate leadership ability. The challenges are rigorous and demanding, both mentally and physically. They test intelligence, common sense, ingenuity and stamina. These challenges provide a new perspective on a cadet's ability to perform exacting tasks and to make difficult decisions under demanding conditions."

Kuszniak said the exercises were beneficial too. "It's very beneficial because in the third year, every ROTC cadet goes to [the National Advance Leadership Course]. These events kind of gave them an idea, a feel, for where they're at right now and where they need to improve themselves. It makes them better prepared for it."

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(from page 1) Election: Chandler says senate unprofessional in session

The section says that "no candidate may be within 50 feet of the entrance of any building designated as a polling area, except to cast his/her vote." Basing their decision on another section of the code of laws, the committee decided to disqualify Roden from the race, giving Chandler the victory.

Roden appealed the committee's decision to Janis, who brought the matter before the senate Monday night in the TMB auditorium in accordance with procedure described by the code of laws.

The senate heard testimony from Roden and then Chandler. Roden passed out sheets to the senate and audience with an explanation for her actions that day. In it she explained that she ran into a friend while voting on the fourth floor of the TMB and decided to leave together. As they approached the exit, she said, her companion saw some of his friends in the food court, and she accompanied him as he went to speak to them, and then left after a few minutes.

Fighting back tears, Roden read from a prepared statement, "since I was only there for a few minutes, and since nowhere in the rule does it say that I am not allowed to speak to anyone while going to vote, nor does it give a specific amount of time a candidate is allowed in the TMB, I feel that I was not breaking the rule.

Chandler read to the senate the complaint she originally filed with the elections committee. In it she said "eleven votes is a slight margin of victory. One could theoretically (have) picked up the necessary twelve votes by simply acknowledging three tables with four students seated at each." Chandler maintained that while Roden may not have actively campaigned, her presence in the food court was a violation of the rules.

After Chandler's testimony, senator Mark Choquette moved that the senate session be closed to non-members, using an exception under Alabama's open meetings law. The law requires that public bodies make all meetings open to the public, but allows for portions of meetings to be held in secret to discuss "the good name or character of an individual."

The senate voted in favor of closing the session, and it remained closed for 35 minutes while senators deliberated the issue. Chandler and Roden, both current members of the senate, remained in the meeting.

When the senate re-opened the session, the group voted 19-6 to overturn the election committee's decision, granting Roden the victory. Shortly after the vote was

announced, Chandler left the auditorium in tears.

Roden said she felt "relieved" after the meeting. "I'm just happy it's all over, and I just hope that everybody will change all the unclear things so this kind of thing won't happen again. Because I know that feelings were hurt."

Senators said the discussion during the closed session started out very heated. "At first it got a little out of hand," senator Andrew Symonds said after the meeting. "People's feelings were getting in the way ... After that it just went straight into the facts, what the constitution stated."

Symonds said that perceived ambiguity in the election rules was part of the discussion. "The [code] is vague in those sections," he said.

Choquette also said discussion of the way the rules are worded was important. "It was just interpretation, how we interpreted the rules and how the election committee interpreted the rules. It was point-

ing out the senate's mistake ... of being behind on the rules we've been trying to change this past semester, really."

Chandler told The Chanticleer on Tuesday that she was not satisfied with the senate's decision, or with the discussion during the closed session. "I felt like it was unfair, because I was just trying to do the right thing and I feel like everything was turned around on me," she said. "It made me feel like I wasn't doing the right thing by the end of the meeting."

Chandler also said the debate was heated and personal during the closed session. "I think that a certain level of professionalism was not followed in that meeting. Bashing, maybe, was going on to both parties. Feelings got hurt," she said. "I know that my feelings are hurt toward certain people that thought they knew what they were talking about, [who actually] didn't."

In response to comments that the

senate overturned the election committee's decision because of vague wording in the rules, Chandler's criticism was blunt. "It wasn't vague when ... we all got the constitution, when it was attached to our application. Nobody had a problem with that until somebody broke the rule. And then they had a problem with it.

"I don't want anybody to think that I have a problem with losing. It's just I wanted it to be fair and I just think 11 votes ... is just a margin of what [it could have been]... It could have been different."

Monday's senate meeting was the last for the semester, and Roden will control the student government's purse strings when the new senators and officers convene in the fall. Chandler though, doesn't plan to be around the SGA. "I definitely want to be involved on campus, but I think there's other ways. There's other things I can be involved in."

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bonds and are awaiting a court appearance on May 10.

"Buck" McKelvey is a physical education major at JSU, and according to a White Plains secretary, was student teaching at White Plains Elementary School.

Murray believed that McKelvey wasn't selling or distributing drugs to students at White Plains. "We do not have any information that he was selling out there.

"We believe he was selling (to students at JSU)," Murray said. But "we don't have enough to prosecute him with distribution."

Laros and Tedder are both geography majors at JSU.

All three are inactive members of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

The raid was the result of a two-and-a-half year investigation on Laros, Murray said. The others became involved after they became roommates with Laros.

"We've been after Laros for quite some time," Murray said.

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SGA works to fill committees, promotes concert ticket sales

By Tomiko Goodman
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

The March 18 meeting of the SGA senate was the last meeting of the organization, for the 2001-02 academic year. The senators said their goodbyes to those who will not be a part of the group next year.

Robert Hayes, the SGA's new president for the 2002-03 academic year, announced that today will be "Announce concert to class day." SGA senators were asked to announce the spring concert to the student body in their classes. The concert will feature country group "Rascal Flatts."

Student can purchase their tickets at the Gamecock fieldhouse. Tickets are currently \$15 for students and the general public. They had previously been \$8,

but the price rose after March 20.

It was also announced that March 18-22 is Greek Week on campus.

Joy Boyd, 2nd vice president, reminded the senators to encourage students to participate in the SGA's activities.

Kimber Merrill, senator, announced that the safety committee is working hard to make the campus safer for students.

Stephanie Janis, 1st vice-president, announced that the senator of the week was Lexi Skelley.

Senators passed the last student bills for the academic school year. Student bill 144 was passed. This bill stated that on Tuesday and Wednesday of the sixth week, of the spring semester, the general election shall be held between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. A run-off election, if necessary will be held on the following

Tuesday.

Student bill 148 was also passed. This bill made a change to the SGA's elections. The polls will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. for all elections. The hours for the election may be extended or shortened by the SGA, if a 48-hour notice is published.

Student bill 149 was passed. This bill made changes to several committees. The Constitution and Code committee must have no less than 4 members, a chairperson and a co-chairperson. The Campus Safety Committee will have one member of the student justice committee and an invitation for a UPD officer to serve on the committee. The Academic Affairs committee will work with the University faculty staff and other academic officials to address student concerns regarding the academic

programs of the University. The members of the Resident Life and Facilities committee will work with the housing director regarding facilities procedures, rules and programs for residence living on campus. This bill also grants the senate the ability to create other committees to conduct business.

Student bill 150 was passed. This bill states that all senators must serve actively on at least two committees. Student bill 151 was passed. This bill grants that each chairperson of the committees shall have the power to remove a co-chairperson and other committee members.

Students that have questions, comments or concerns can contact the Student Activities Office at 782-5491 or in the TMB on the fourth floor.

Campaign reform could soon become law

By Jackie Koszczuk
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

WASHINGTON — Spurred by the Enron scandal, Congress is on the verge of passing the most sweeping changes in campaign finance laws since the Watergate era almost 30 years ago.

Supporters of a bill to restrict the flow of money into political campaigns were expected to prevail Wednesday in the Senate, where they were confident they had the 60 votes necessary to shut off debate. Final passage would quickly follow, which would send the measure to President Bush, who is expected to sign it. The House of Representatives passed the bill 240-189 on Feb. 14.

The legislation would bar large, unregulated contributions known as "soft money" to national political parties. Enron, the bankrupt energy giant, was one in a long roster of corporations, wealthy individuals and labor unions that used big donations to cultivate friendships in politics. Enron showered \$3.6 million in political contributions since 1990 on Bush and lawmakers from both parties.

While no evidence has emerged showing that Enron won favors from government in exchange for donations, the air of potential corruption suffusing recent investigations into Enron's December bankruptcy helped persuade lawmakers that new campaign-finance rules are necessary, if for nothing else than political appearances in a congressional election year.

The bill also would prohibit so-called "issue ads" on television paid for by corporations and unions just before an election. This is certain to be challenged by opponents in federal court as an unconstitutional violation of free speech. In fact, the leader of opponents to the bill, Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., plans to challenge the measure on these grounds even before the law takes effect Nov. 6, the day after the 2002 elections.

"The larger battle as far as Congress is concerned is over. The real action will be later in court," McConnell said Tuesday.

The bill also would double the current limit on regulated political contributions to \$2,000 per election and would permit the limit to rise each year at the rate of inflation.

The bill's supporters say the changes would curb the influence of a political elite that uses large donations to win access to those who govern, access that ordinary people do not have, thus undermining the principle of citizen equality in a democracy.

Opponents, who had successfully blocked similar legislation since 1995, say the changes would weaken political parties, which help unite the country by forging majority coalitions, and instead would drive money into special-interest groups, which could keep spending freely on politics.

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OPINION

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In Our View

For once, do the right thing

The Alabama Legislature's House Rules committee did the right thing Tuesday. The committee voted to put a resolution on today's House work agenda which would allow Alabama voters to decide whether to call a constitutional convention.

Now, according to Gov. Siegelman, Alabama's citizens "will find out whether or not their elected representatives trust them."

*Siegelman's words are not idle campaign rhetoric. Democratic Rep. James Buskey recently told The Birmingham News that he doesn't trust convention delegates, warning that a convention "can do whatever it wants to. It can go far, far afield."

Buskey is not alone. The committee passed the resolution by the narrowest of margins, with several convention opponents voting "yes" only because they felt it was important that the entire 105-member House have the opportunity to decide this issue.

The resolution now faces its toughest battle: overcoming greed and prejudice in today's debate on the House floor.

Buskey and many other black lawmakers feel a convention would not adequately represent African-Americans. Their fears are based on the blatantly racist overtones of the 1901 convention which gave us our current constitution.

Not everyone shares that fear. Speaker Pro Tem Demetrius Newton, who is also black, welcomes the chance to debate the issue, telling The Associated Press, "I don't have the same fears about minority representation."

Unfortunately, there is a powerful lobbying effort underway trying to derail any chance for Alabama's people to have a voice in this issue.

It started with the Alabama Association for Judeo-Christian Values and their absurd campaign to paint constitutional reform as the devil's work. When this strategy showed signs of weakness, convention opponents moved on to Alabama's other political trump card: race.

Not content to take their chances with the religious right and the black caucus, the powerful Alabama Farmers Federation is openly courting white Democrats with good old-fashioned greed. The federation feels a new constitution would open the door to property tax increases, and no matter how much those taxes might help Alabama, they don't want any part of it.

In their minds, taxes are for the little guy - not big business.

Even supporters of the convention resolution aren't optimistic about today's House vote. "It's going to be hard," said Rep. Ken Guin of Carbon Hill. Guin has already written a backup resolution in case this one fails. "It may be the only way to get the issue out there and keep the issue alive."

Hopefully, Guin's fellow lawmakers will follow the lead of the Rules committee. Rather than making a decision based on the questionable influence of Montgomery lobbyists, do the right thing.

Let the people decide.

Can we learn from others' views of America?

Anti-American feelings are pretty widespread throughout the world. As a matter of fact, 81 percent of leaders polled in the Middle East believed U.S. policies were to blame for the Sept. 11 attacks.

According to The Pew Research Center, most positive feelings toward America are over what America stands for, not for what America does in the world.

After watching the news and hearing some elite students from a Middle Eastern school saying that America got what it deserved, I wondered. Could it be jealousy?

Another Pew poll discovered that 65 percent of the elite in the Middle East think that it's good for Americans to know what it's like to be vulnerable. Are Americans not humble enough?

Is this country, which has a section called "The Bible Belt" running through it, not humble?

Why, many an evangelist would quickly hop on a log and thump on a bible to refute such a

By Joshua W. Bingham
The Chanticleer Managing Editor



statement.

Somebody could respond with the argument that Middle Eastern countries have suffered simply because of government decisions and military campaigns against anti-democratic nations. It could also be said that diverse cultures despise the American culture that is rampant upon the world and destroying national identities. From what I've seen though, it also has to do with the attitude of Americans.

Though I try to consider myself a laid-back kind of fellow, and consider my friends the same, we're the ones who usually don't have the resources to travel to many foreign countries. And other than the Hollywood America sent overseas, how do foreigners determine opinions about us? By what Americans they see visiting their countries.

While I lived in London, I was

employed at a rather classy nightclub, requiring collared shirts and dress shoes on men before entry. After working for a couple months, I began to shudder in claiming my nationality.

The Americans I saw were pushy, selfish, full of want and only thinking of themselves. They were downright annoying. Could it be a spin off the American individualistic nature?

With my fellow employees from many different nations, it was a joke that the people who yelled for attention and demanded snappy service exactly when they snapped, ignorant to etiquette, were sure to be Americans. The laughter stabbed with truth.

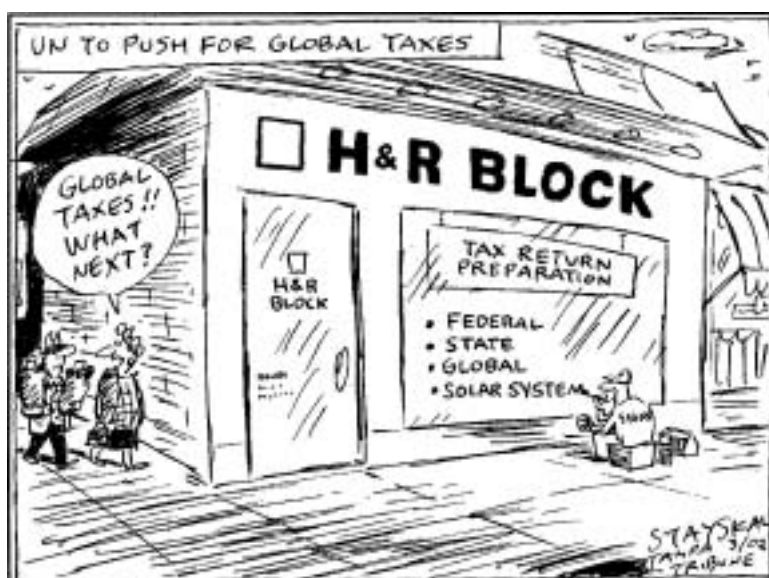
From my view of Americans in Europe, I would think they were a bunch of rude, pervasive people lacking in culture. But that's not the truth.

Maybe such examples have helped Middle Eastern people, as well as Europeans, Asians and Latin Americans - whom The Pew Research Center polled - harbor ill feelings against our motherland and us.

Because our country covers so much earth, many Americans don't seem to understand "when in Rome, do as the Romans do." Many have not been to Rome, or anywhere outside the United States. Visiting a foreign country and culture should make one feel slightly vulnerable and more open.

If you travel, don't perpetuate the self-serving American image.

With graduation looming close for many JSU students, traveling should be in the future and years of education should have taught humility.



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Race-baiters can forget this Texas case

By Stanley Crouch
New York Daily News (KRT)

In Texas, the state where James Byrd was dragged to his death by three white men who were convicted of homicide and sentenced to death by an integrated jury, a black woman was just charged with murder.

She is accused of running into a homeless white man who got caught in the glass of her windshield, driving him home, parking her car in the garage, closing her garage door and allowing him to bleed to death as he begged her to call for help whenever she checked on his condition.

If she is found irrefutably guilty, is this Texas woman's crime different from that of James Byrd's murderers?

Sure, on one level. Byrd was lured to his death by men who had killing on their minds. There was clearly a racial subtext. The homeless man's tragic story began as an accident and allegedly descended into astonishingly cruel treatment, followed by the woman and some friends dumping his body in a park,

where the cops initially assumed he was the victim of a hit-and-run driver. Not a hit-and-carry driver.

We know, of course, that if the situation were reversed, we would see all the civil rights establishment speaking on somebody's steps somewhere in the area. We would see a march, a candlelight one if by night.

There would be loud talk about hate crimes, and someone

would say predictable things about the white woman who ran that black man down and refused to call for help while he bled to death. She'd be accused of locking hands with all those white women in the past who've been central to the murders of black men. The incident would be described as another example of the war against black men.

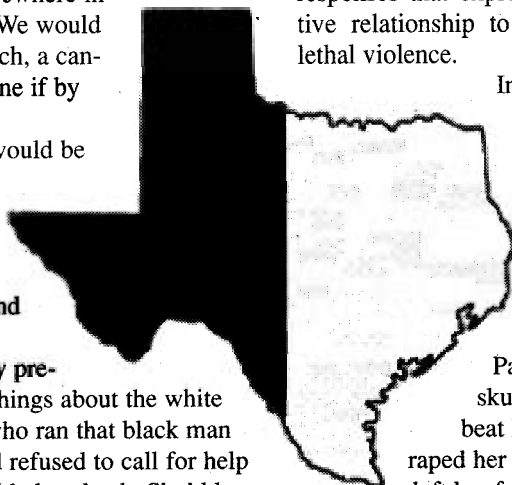
We might even see a march by the new Black Panthers announcing

that homeless black men should arm themselves so that, if caught in the windshields of white women, they could shoot their way out or avenge themselves.

What we really need to do is to remember less expected kinds or responses that express our collective relationship to the threat of lethal violence.

In 1989, when a gang of black and Latino teen-agers attacked a white woman who was jogging in Central

Park, bashed her skull with a brick, beat her with pipes, raped her repeatedly and left her for dead with 75 percent of her blood creating red mud, the Rev. Herbert Daughtry and a number of black ministers held a daily prayer vigil for her as death tried to rock her to sleep. It was one of the most civilized actions I have ever seen in this town.



Women who don't wear makeup are eco-heroines

By L. Kelly
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

Call it a righteous victory for all the women out there who don't primp and preen, and for the guys who believe that a five-minute shower is all they need to face the world.

Turns out, we're on the front lines of environmental defense.

An analysis released Wednesday by a team of scientists for the U.S. Geological Survey shows that a variety of chemicals from personal-care products — shampoo, makeup, deodorant and such — are among the 95 "organic wastewater contaminants" found in U.S. waterways.

Sure, we no-makeup types just thought we were saving time and money by not spending an hour every morning in front of the mirror with an array of foundations, concealers, highlighters, minimizers, moisturizers, powder palettes and other weapons of facial warfare.

We comb-and-go folks thought we were just simplifying our lives when we adopted "basic" haircuts that don't require the application of "product" — gels,

shines, waxes, sculpting sprays, volumizers, mousses, thickening glues, glazes, activators or texture creams — before we can leave the house.

We accepted that others would often judge us to be lazy, ill-groomed, unaware of our beauty potential or "letting ourselves go."

Most of us never dreamed we were on the cutting edge of an "emerging" environmental issue.

You see, all those beauty products eventually get scrubbed off faces and washed out of hair — and into water-treatment systems that aren't designed to remove them. So the chemicals that millions of Americans put on their bodies end up in our water.

Although most of us think of solvents and other industrial wastes when we think of water pollution, the Geological Survey looked for chemicals found in PPCPs, which stands for "pharmaceuticals and personal care products."

It's becoming clear, from the new analysis published in the current issue of Environmental Science Technology and from previous studies done in Europe and Canada, that chemicals used

in beauty aids are a growing concern.

Generally, we're talking about trace amounts, not rivers flowing with shower gel and mascara, but scientists are uneasy because the effects of long-term exposure and how such chemicals may interact in the wild are unclear.

While they try to sort it all out and develop better ways to remove PPCP contaminants, it would be prudent to reduce the flow. Sure, the folks who will give up their hair gel only when it's pried from their cold, dead hands vastly outnumber the shampoo-only community, but perhaps we all could use a bit less.

A headful of thick, foamy shampoo may feel luxurious, but it's just wasteful, say beauty-care experts. When you use too much shampoo, you're sending more detergents, fragrance, preservatives, humectants, thickeners, emulsifiers and conditioners down the drain needlessly.

It's also worth noting that frequent shampooing can make hair dry and unruly, which prompts many folks to turn to other products — and a whole additional slate of chemicals — to solve the

In 1992, Titus Murphy, Teri Barnett, Bobby Green and Lei Yuille, four black men, saw on television that Reginald Denny, a white man, was being stoned to death during the Los Angeles riot after the first trial of the cops who beat down Rodney King.

In all the talk that has taken place since then, little mention is made of the fact that Murphy, Barnett, Green and Yuille, shocked and outraged, exhibited both compassion and top-of-the-line courage by driving to the scene and pulling Denny not only out of the lion's den, but out of the lion's mouth.

In this latest case in Texas, someone who almost surely is black tipped the police after the accused woman supposedly was overheard talking about the dead homeless man at a party. Let us see if the civil rights leadership celebrates that person.

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IN YOUR VIEW

"What do you think of the Houston Cole Library's new look?"

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"I think it looks like a giant pagoda."



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Junior
Computer Science

"It looks OK. Honestly, I don't care; it's just a building"



Glenn Davenport
Junior
Computer Science

"It's finished?"



Becky Johnson
Junior
Drama

"It looks like a giant Lego block."



Chris West
Junior
Drama

"Library ... what library?"

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Campus celebrates diversity

By Katja Sunnarborg
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

Last week was International Week at JSU, and while some days were not as popular as organizers had hoped, others like Silent Auction and Taster's Fair were declared a huge success.

On Tuesday, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., there was a Silent Auction at the International House. "What it meant was that some of the international students donated items from their home countries and the International Student Organization put a minimum bid on them," explained Debbie Russell, JSU's international programs coordinator. "After that, faculty members as well as JSU students were able to come and bid on them."

Part of the idea was also to present international students and their countries through posters made by students. Participants were also able to talk to the international students and ask any questions.

According to Russell, the day was a big success. Bidders



The Chanticleer/Andrea Brown
International students in their native countries' traditional dress (l-r) Mamadou Fall, Tracee Smith, Sica Sankara and Amanda Verapeen performing during "Around the World in One Hour."

stayed at the International House until final bids were made at 6 p.m., just to make sure they got the item they wanted. "When people can't go to the country they would like to, they at least want to show something from there," said Russell. "It is also a neat conversation point in a home."

On Wednesday, there was an International House Event where JSU's International House students presented a play called

"Around the World In One Hour." The evening started with "Change the World" sung by International House students, followed by the play.

The humorous skit, drawing lots of laughter from the audience, showed how people can make false assumptions about other cultures and how after experiencing something, one's way of seeing things changes. In JSU President Bill Meehan's words, "They really got the



The Chanticleer/Andrea Brown
Rubén Herrera and Sonia Punin perform a Latin dance during the "Around the World in One Hour" presentation.

American family down at the play. I enjoyed it very much."

The last part of the evening's program was Danza Tropical, a Spanish dance routine choreographed by Sonia Punin, a student from Ecuador.

"Music Around the World,"

hosted on Thursday at the International House, introduced visitors to different types of music and dancing from around the world.

On Friday, international stu-

see **International**, page 10

Ancient Harmony makes second Brother's appearance

Review by Abbey Herrin
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

When I stepped on the Ancient Harmony RV at 10:30 on Friday night, I was bombarded by the scent of patchouli. As I chatted with various band members, roadies and super fans, the vibe was very laid back. The guys all expressed a strong enthusiasm about gracing the stage at Brother's Bar. They declared it to be their second appearance at Brother's, and claimed a certain fondness for the tree stumps/barstools. I knew it was going to be a swell night.

The band consists of four members: Shell Stamps on guitar, Michael Cansler on drums, Steve Patton on bass, and Hal Month, the most recent addition, on keyboards. Ancient Harmony has a sound that is difficult to put the finger on, the bastard child of



Courtesy Ancient Harmony
After playing with bands like Government Mule and moe, Ancient Harmony returned to Brother's on March 15th.

David Gilmore and Bob Marley and then some.

The band is becoming hot on the jam circuit these days; they have

played with big timers like moe and the North Mississippi All-Stars. When asked who they've been most honored to play with,

Government Mule was the general response, citing guitarist Warren Haynes as "awesome."

The masses stayed on their feet most of Friday night, while the band drove home jam after jam. The set list proved itself worthy as the guys delivered the melodies in diverse ways. Ancient Harmony embraced every spot on the musical spectrum and got it just right. A blend of innovative original material plus some classic covers equal a good time for all — a utopia for the ears if you will.

The performance started off with a bang as Led Zeppelin's "The Song Remains the Same" caused much delight for the bar goers. This explosive tune was followed by a Floyd tune, "Into the Flesh." Ancient Harmony continued with some groovy originals such as "Lay it Down" and "Lenny." The songs blended into one another, fading out all the distinction while

keeping the homegrown pace.

The tone of the music escalated from southern rock to bluegrass to reggae in a very nonchalant and natural fashion. No matter what genre the band decided to explore, the music remained consistent: bluesy guitar riffs, persistent drums, thumping bass and melodic keyboards. The guys swapped up vocal duty, bringing a mixed reaction from the crowd. "I liked it when the drummer sang," declared Libby Hinds, JSU junior.

As the night progressed, the band stepped it up a notch, bringing the music home with a killer rendition of the Grateful Dead staple "Scarlet Begonias." They also played some more bluesy originals like "Pend."

After an intense version of Pink Floyd's "Time," they finished it off right with "Touch of Grey," a sometimes-overlooked Grateful see **Ancient**, page 11

“The Score” racks up on suspense

By Abbey Herrin
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

“The Score” is the type of movie that may not make any artistic headway, but will still leave you on the edge of your seat.

Directed by Frank Oz (“Bowfinger,” “In & Out”), “The Score” can best be described as a comedic/action thriller, with lots of suspense sure to make even the mellowest person a nervous wreck. Robert DeNiro stars in the film as a Montreal jazz club owner who dabbles in robbery. Marlon Brando is the big crime boss, and Edward Norton is the new kid on the block, trying to make it big in the wonderful world of theft.

Nick (DeNiro) has been stealing precious jewels and whatnot for years; he is extremely crafty and has lots of cool tools for stealing things. Max (Brando) talks Nick into stealing a big golden scepter worth billions of dollars, but Nick is forced to work with a partner (Norton), which is constraining. Much of the film centers on the two of them arguing about the best way to pull off the job.

Some of the scenes between Norton and DeNiro are highly



(l-r) Robert DeNiro, Edward Norton and Hollywood-veteran Marlon Brando star in the suspense-filled movie “The Score.”

comical. The duo work well together, with each character terrified that the other will double-cross him. Nick’s goal: to pull off his last heist and retire from the thieving business, freeing him up to spend time with Diane, the love of his life, played by Angela Bassett.

Although there are no shocking cinematic revelations made in “The Score,” it is still highly entertaining due to the suspense of the story and all the cool tools the guys use to break into stuff. The plot is at times pretty predictable, but there is an unexpected twist at the end — you’ll

have to watch it to find out.

The acting is of the utmost quality; you can’t beat bad asses like Brando and DeNiro. Also, Norton is very impressive in his role as the sidekick; he acts mentally challenged throughout lots of the movie as part of the scheme. Bassett is her usual solid self as the love interest, although she appears very little and doesn’t have much to do with the stealing, which is the movie’s most interesting focus.

So rent “The Score” if you haven’t already. The veteran actors and suspenseful plot make it worth a gander.

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dents competed against participants from the local community in soccer and beach volleyball games at Stephenson Hall. International students said they enjoyed both of these events and were pleased with the turnout from the community.

The last two events and the highlights of the week were the Taster’s Fair and Talent Show on Saturday evening at the TMB Auditorium. After ISO President Honorata Sulila opened the event, participants tasted various foods from around the world. Cheese empanadas from Ecuador, salad Olivier from Russia and spicy chicken from Nepal were among the dishes served. The event was so popular that all the food was gone by the time the program started.

After Robin Gorman sang the U.S. national anthem, Krithika Viswanatha danced a native dance from her home country of India. The dance was followed by a poem read by Moyad Alzoubi from Jordan and an Irish

Dance by Kimber Merrill, an American student living in the International House

The wildest applause was given to Sonia Punin from Ecuador and Christian Fernandes from Venezuela when they did a South American dance while performing a play.

Fatou Jammeh from Gambia and Krithika Viswanathan from India then spoke about different cultures. Their point was that while there are many differences among people there are also many similarities. “We are all family,” said Jammeh. “Diversity is the way of life ... and that is what brings us together.”

The last part of the program was a fashion show which presented different native costumes from all over the world.

The week left a very satisfied atmosphere behind and organizers said they hoped to bring back some of the more popular events in years to come. All in all, the past week had been the best so far, Sulila said in her closing remarks.

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Kenny Garrett

Happy People

★★★★

Review by Gary Lewis
The Chanticleer Online Editor

Kenny Garrett has quietly emerged as one of the most important figures in modern jazz.

Garrett, an incredibly gifted alto and soprano saxophonist, has played with artists as diverse as Miles Davis, Dizzy Gillespie, Sting, Bruce Springsteen and GURU. His early years were influenced by the music of Thad Jones and Charles Mingus. This pedigree has rewarded Garrett with an extraordinary degree of comfort in many different musical styles.

On his new album, "Happy People," Garrett brings all these styles together and proves that, despite his dizzying list of influences, he has a voice all his own.

Garrett's band is top-notch, with pianist Vernell Brown and guest vibraphonist Bobby Hutcherson turning in especially impressive solos. Brown's free jazz background serves him well in numbers such as "A Hole in One" and - most notably - "Monk-ing Around." This nod to the frenetic, playful spirit of Thelonius Monk is one of the high points of the album.

Given the stellar cast surrounding him, it is remarkable that Garrett is still able to outshine everyone else on the album. He is simply in a league of his own, both as a composer/arranger and as a performer.

"Song #8" flows seamlessly from a Metheny-esque groove to a double-



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time bebop and back again. With Garrett leading the way on alto, the transition between these dissimilar styles seems perfectly natural.

In "Asian Medley," the only non-original composition on the album, Garrett plays an exquisite soprano rendering of three traditional Asian songs, backed only by acoustic piano. The arrangement is beautiful and poignant, and the performance is outstanding.

The "Happy People" album was recorded on perhaps the most unhappy day imaginable: Sept. 11, 2001. Garrett and the band played on through the heartbreak, producing an album that remains optimistic and, as the title suggests, happy.

Only the album's last track, "Brother B. Harper," seems - however unintentionally - to capture the terror and confusion of that day. The chart is a sinister minor blues that really smolders. Garrett's growling alto reveals fear, frustration and anger.

Kenny Garrett may not be the greatest saxophonist who ever lived, but he certainly makes a strong case for the top 10. With "Happy People" he shows that he is maturing as a formidable composer as well.

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4.) Shaving mugs

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9.) Ivy

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HOROSCOPES

By Lasha Seniuk
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service
March 18-24, 2002

Aries (March 21-April 20). Home relations and family decisions may now require special consideration. Early Tuesday watch for friends and lovers to ask probing questions. Expect your answers to be thoroughly scrutinized. At present, loved ones may need a clarification of motives. Wednesday through Saturday the financial news is good. Improved business or money communications will lead to new confidence and better team relations. Fast progress is accented. Publicly discuss all ideas.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Romantic communications will intensify before midweek. Watch for recently moody or distant loved ones to now express strong passions and concrete proposals. Private romantic triangles will this week be brought into public view. Remain cautious and respond honestly to all requests. After Friday an unusual or politically motivated social invitation may cause controversy. Expect jealousy, past history and competing egos to be a key theme. It will be an emotional few days. Stay alert.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Romantic partners and long-term friends may this week request more attention than usual. Over the next eight days many Geminis will experience a deepening of love relationships and the arrival of

exciting social outlets. Public image and personal style will now inspire vital growth between loved ones. Expect the overtures of potential lovers to be almost irresistible. Late Saturday romance will flourish. Rekindled love, fast promises and powerful sensuality are accented.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Short-term friends may be extremely moody this week. Watch for a new acquaintance or colleague to publicly challenge the ideas of others. Key issues may involve recent romantic attractions or rare social triangles. Remain diplomatic. Others will now make quick assumptions based on their own needs. After Thursday business announcements are distracting. New projects and unusual team assignments will soon bring significant advancement. Stay focused.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Loved ones may be irritable over the next few days. Expect difficult contracts, workplace disputes or past romantic attractions to now bring controversy. A close friend or lover may soon ask for clarification of long-term plans, daily work obligations and romantic history. Remain patient. Although tempers are high, social harmony will soon emerge. After Friday avoid financial promises. New short-term goals and a revised budget may trigger heated discussions.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Over the next few days an unusual social trian-

gle or subtle disagreement between friends may create ongoing tensions. Key issues involve canceled plans, changed social priorities or the introduction of new friendships. Give friends and loved ones extra time to sort out their feelings. At present, self-doubt may be high. After midweek watch also for a work official or colleague to abandon an important project. New information will soon be forthcoming. Remain cautious.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Home finances are now a concern. After Tuesday expect family decisions to enter a brief phase of confusion or open debate. Some Librans may now wish to expand their romantic life, family responsibilities or home relationships. If so, expect delays and mild disagreements for the next 18 days. Stay focused, however. New family or romantic growth will eventually bring positive rewards. Late Saturday a highly creative business idea may arrive. Prepare detailed plans.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Over the next few days a unique workplace introduction may lead to romance or an exciting social invitation. Although practical duties may have recently felt sluggish or uneventful, a refreshing attraction will soon provide distraction. Enjoy new flirtations but refuse to ignore key duties. Over the next 18 days officials will be monitoring daily efforts. After Saturday an older rela-

tive may request more of your attention. Don't disappoint. Support is needed.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Physical attraction and public confidence may soon draw a rare romantic flirtation into your social circle. Over the next few days be prepared to deal with the emotional needs, desires or observations of a new friend or potential lover. Bold expression and intriguing sensuality are accented. Expect mild controversy and sudden social changes. Stay balanced and avoid unethical triangles. Fast romantic beginnings may this week cause mistrust between friends.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Recent social or romantic power struggles will now quickly fade. Over the next few days many Capricorns will resolve ongoing differences with loved ones. Key issues may involve past romantic history, family obligations or unusual public behavior. All now begins to fit neatly into place. Remain patient and wait for loved ones to ask for acceptance and advice. It will be a powerful few days. Stay dedicated to long-term romantic growth and all will be well.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Business decisions are tricky this week. After Tuesday expect colleagues and officials to strongly disagree on appropriate actions. Key differences may involve new communications systems, written documents or policies

toward customers. Remain quietly detached and recognize this as a silly power struggle. Revised methods will be introduced before early April. Later this week a social promise may also be misleading. Expect cancellations, delays and vague excuses.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Early this week a lover or long-term friend may demand detailed explanations or ask embarrassing questions. React with graceful diplomacy. Private doubt and self-criticism may have existed for several weeks. At present, withheld emotions, social mistakes or past family expectations are deeply felt. Offer concrete suggestions. For loved ones, the emotional mysteries of the past now need to be permanently resolved.

If your birthday is this week ... home relations may dramatically change over the next nine weeks. Living arrangements, property agreements and shared financial proposals will soon need to be evaluated. Key areas of concern may involve past debts, social history or the daily habits of loved ones. After mid-June watch also for a powerful wave of creativity and romance. New love affairs and rekindled passion in recently stalled relationships are both accented. Settle all long-term romantic issues by early August. Emotional decisions will be difficult throughout the fall and winter months.

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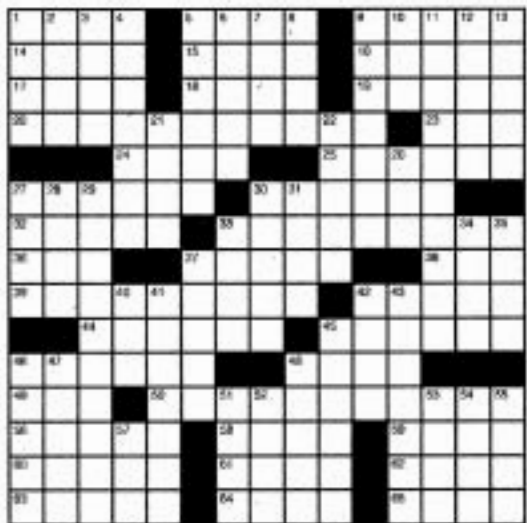
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SPORTS

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NCAA tourney: No glass slipper needed out west

By Michael Rosenberg
Knight Ridder Newspapers (KRT)

WASHINGTON—For those who buy into the myth of seeds, the NCAA tournament's West Region is a bundle of surprises. No. 8 seed UCLA beat No. 1 Cincinnati in double overtime. No. 12 seed Missouri beat No. 5 Miami (Fla.) and No. 4 Ohio State in a 72-hour span.

Yes, UCLA and Missouri sure pulled off some stunners this weekend. These two teams are the ultimate underdogs, except, you know, with a bunch of McDonald's All-Americans. UCLA and Missouri are Cinderella with a steel-toed slipper, David slaying Goliath with a semi-automatic weapon.

If UCLA is an underdog, so is Microsoft. If UCLA can play Cinderella, you might as well cast Brad Pitt to play Dick Vitale.

The only reason people are surprised by the Bruins is because the Bruins are a No. 8 seed, and the only reason the Bruins are a No. 8 seed is that they coasted for most of the season.

UCLA gave up its Cinderella privileges about five national championships ago. The Bruins are one of the most talented teams in the country, underachievers for most of the season — and they know it.

"When we come to play, we can beat anybody in the country," said Bruins forward Matt Barnes, perhaps unaware of the self-indictment.

North Carolina-Wilmington over Southern California is a classic upset. Creighton over Florida is a classic upset. UCLA over Cincinnati is a temperamental Corvette zooming past a Volvo.

So now UCLA now plays Missouri, another team with way more talent than its seed suggests. Missouri was one of the last teams

see NCAA, page 14

Gamecock football team thrills crowd on J-Day

By Anthony Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

It's on now. It was definitely on when the Jax State football team split into two groups to form a Red and White team to play its traditional J-Day game.

Some of the players and coaches were jumping for joy, while others were simply in shock after Anthony Mayo connected with walk-on wide receiver Jarvis Houston for a 17-yard touchdown pass with :32 left in the game. The touchdown propelled the White team over the Red, 17-14 at Paul Snow Stadium last Saturday.

"I'm just trying to do my part for the team," said Houston after the game. I knew that I had to make all the plays I could today."

The win gave the White team its third-straight win in the J-Day game and bragging rights for the remainder of the spring.

"That's a good feeling to see someone starting out with nothing to come out here and impress the coaches," said White team tailback Rony Rogers of Houston's game-winning grab. "I think he's going to be really good."

"As soon as I let go of it (the ball) I was like, 'crap,'" said Mayo. "I mean it was the last play and fourth down. Once the second defender dropped it, I knew it was a touchdown. Jarvis made a great catch."

Mayo finished the day with 112



Courtesy Lyle Barnard
White team quarterback Anthony Mayo drops back (left). Tailback Rony Rogers sprints off left end during J-Day game.

yards in the air, while Red team quarterback Reggie Stancil finished with 130 yards on the afternoon.

The White team took control of the game early when fullback Chris Kirk ran a 6-yard touchdown up the middle to cap a 92-yard, 14-play drive with 7:31 left in the opening quarter.

Gamecock place-kicker Steven Lee increased the White team lead to 10 points after he smashed a 31-yard field goal with :41 left in the first quarter. The White team held a 10-0 lead at halftime.

The Red team got on the board when Stancil found a streaking Will Wagon in the corner of the end zone for an 11-yard touchdown pass with 5:44 to go in the third quarter. Wagon was Stancil's go-to guy the majority of the game. He finished

with eight catches for 113 yards and a touchdown.

"The receivers came out here and had a pretty good day today," said Wagon. "Jarvis and Luke (Carlise) played really good today, and I had a pretty decent game. I wanted to come out and show we had some good wide receivers and I think we did that."

"Will's a big-time player," said Stancil. "I remember when he didn't get invited back for two-a-days. Then, we had a lot of players get hurt at wide receiver and they called him back. I think he's proven to the coaches that he can play."

Wagon wasn't the only player shining on Saturday. Red team tailback Brandon Glover had an impressive outing as well. Glover

finished with 20 carries for 80 yards to lead the ground attack for the Red. Rogers finished with 85 yards on 17 carries on the ground for the White.

"I knew that I was going to have to come out here and make big plays," said Glover. "People think I'm too small to play running back. I knew I could show them better than I could tell 'em. I just continue to soak in what Rony tells me and I think it's making me better. I think he's the reason why I'm as good as I am."

The Red team took its first lead of the afternoon when converted tight end William Bowie hauled in a 16-yard pass from Stancil to give the Red a 14-10 lead with 4:06 remaining in the game. But, the celebration was short-lived after Mayo hit Houston as time expired.

"I thought we weren't going to complete a pass all day," said head coach Jack Crowe. "Then, I thought we had a flurry. But, there really weren't a lot of people out there who had much experience in game situations, catching the ball. The last two touchdowns were by walk-ons, by guys just trying to make the football team."

The Gamecocks will scrimmage again tonight at Paul Snow Stadium. The scrimmage is set to start at 7. The 2002 football season will begin on Aug. 31, when Jax State hosts the Alabama A&M Bulldogs at Paul Snow Stadium.

Gamecock track and field competes at Disney Relay in Orlando

From staff reports

Head track and field coach Aimee Dawson said other colleges and universities took note of the Gamecocks' performance during the Disney Relays in Orlando last weekend.

"Other colleges were excited to see our team run," said Dawson. "They were asking who we were and where we were from and that we were doing a great

job. That makes our efforts so much more worthwhile."

The Gamecocks competed in the 3,000-meter run, the high jump and discus throw during the first day of competition.

In the 3,000-meter run, JSU's Addie Ferguson came in fifth place out of 16 runners, with a time of 11:50. Teammate Gina Davis also competed in the event, coming in 11th with a time of 14:00.

A trio of Gamecocks com-

peted in the high jump. Kari Borr, Danika Heartt and Aimee Pitzo each jumped 1.52 meters in the 11-athlete field.

In the discus throw, Lachandra Bartholemew came in 13th place.

Last Saturday's competition began with the high jump. The Gamecock trio of Eysha Ambler, Heartt and Pitzo tied with a mark of 1.50 meters. Dawson said that although the group is new to the jumps, they are

"on the verge of having some big jumps in the near future."

The team of Johnnett Roby, Anna Armstrong, Eboni Matthews, and Pitzo was disqualified due to a technicality, but Dawson said they "ran a phenomenal race."

"There was no one even close," said Dawson. "We crushed everybody by at least 50 meters."

Particularly catching Dawson's eye were Pitzo

and Matthews. Pitzo ran a 2:27 half mile and "was very aggressive," while Matthews continued to do well by running a 55-second split relay.

In the 4x200-meter relay, Armstrong, Ambler, Princess Thomas and Lisa Moseley finished second to Central Florida. Dawson singled out Moseley for her efforts by helping the team "run the most fluid race we've ever run."

Final round of Winthrop Invitational rained out for Jacksonville State softball team

From staff reports

The Jax State softball team didn't get a chance to defend its Winthrop Invitational title after the final round of the tournament was canceled due to rain on Sunday.

The Gamecocks made a little

noise in the tourney after winning three of four games last Friday and Saturday.

After grabbing a couple of wins late last Friday night over Gardner-Webb and Southeast Missouri State, Jax State took one of two games last Saturday.

JSU lost the first game of the day

to Pittsburgh in eight innings, 2-0. Veronica Davis (8-3) got the loss with five strikeouts.

Senior first baseman Andrea Tomey led the Gamecocks with two hits, including a three-run homerun to win the second game of the day, 7-2 over Birmingham-Southern.

JSU pitcher Tera Ross improved

her record to 6-2 with the win, with four strikeouts.

Melinda McDonald also went two-for-three on the night.

The Gamecocks were set to play the winner of the Michigan State versus Tulsa game, but the final round was canceled.

The champions of the invitational

have been awarded to the top team in each of the four pools. The first-place team and co-champions are Pittsburgh, Tulsa, St. John's and Illinois.

The Gamecocks will return to action when they travel to Orlando to compete in the Rebel Spring Games this weekend.

Jax State swept by JU, beat AAMU

From staff reports

After getting swept by Jacksonville University last weekend, the Gamecocks (12-12) took their frustrations out on Alabama A&M (6-14) and got an 8-7 come-from-behind win on Tuesday.

Freshman first baseman Brian Haskins drove in five runs, including the game-winning hit in the bottom of the ninth inning to lift the Gamecocks past the Bulldogs.

Haskins, who had a 10-game hitting streak to open the season, had just four hits in his last 30 at-bats before giving JSU a lead with a three-run homer in the sixth inning. He also had a sacrifice fly in the seventh and also scored a run.

Bobby Wynns (1-0) picked the win in relief, while A&M's Jessie Caminiti (0-1) took the loss.

The Bulldogs jumped out in front in the top of the first inning by plating three runs. Shortstop Michael May singled to center to lead off the inning, followed by a single bunt by Alvin Hall. Brian Rice then reached base on a throwing error, which scored May. Hall then scored after a wild pitch, followed by Rice, later, on a fielder's choice to give A&M the early lead.

The Bulldogs tracked on another run in third, before the Gamecocks battled to score two runs in the bottom of the fifth inning. Travis Suereth scored, followed by Andrew Tarver and Matt Ruckdeschel.

Jax State took a 5-4 lead in the sixth inning on Haskin's first-career homerun and tacked on two more runs in the seventh inning to build a 7-4 advantage.

Alabama A&M rallied to tie the score in the ninth inning after Rice scored on a RBI single and Scott Pebbles drove in two runs after hitting a single to right field, but the Gamecocks weren't ready to quit.

JSU's Ruckdeschel led off the bottom of the ninth and reached first after being hit by a pitch and Heith Comer followed with a walk, before Haskin's game-winning hit.

The Gamecocks will return to action tomorrow when they host A-Sun foe Central Florida. The first pitch is set for 5:30 at Rudy Abbott Field.

NCAA: from page 13

to make the field of 65, but the Tigers crushed Miami and Ohio State like they were a top-10 team. Which they were, three months ago.

Now the West features two Pac-10 teams (UCLA and Arizona) and two Big 12 teams (Oklahoma and Missouri).

Arizona and Oklahoma, the two high seeds, are the favorites. But before the season, Arizona and Oklahoma were question marks and UCLA and Missouri were supposed to be the exclamation points. Even Arizona coach Lute Olson said that anybody who picked against UCLA in the Pacific-10 was crazy.

At one point in mid-December, Missouri was ranked No. 2, UCLA was ranked No. 17 and Cincinnati was nowhere to be found. Early season rankings can sometimes be misleading; some teams, through no fault of their own, are simply overrated. But Missouri and UCLA were legit.

These teams have talent at every position. UCLA is one of the 10 most talented teams in the country, and Missouri isn't far behind. In January and February, though, they played like Catatonic State.

Hey, it happens. In a 30-game season, a six-game funk can be devastating. But let's not pretend that these are upstarts. They're just late starters.

A week ago, nobody knew if UCLA and Missouri would play like the teams they could be or the teams they have been.

That's the beauty of March. You never know. Saturday afternoon, the Connecticut Huskies sat by a television in their locker room, fans like everybody else, watching Notre Dame give Duke its biggest scare since the Boston Celtics wooed Mike Krzyzewski. One day later, the Huskies were the ones on the ropes, against North Carolina State. Like Duke, Connecticut escaped.

Here in Washington, we weren't treated to any upsets, real or imagined. We did get some great players, like North Carolina State guard Anthony Grundy, whose arms are so long, his shoulders haven't seen his hands in years; Maryland's Juan Dixon and Lonny Baxter, a pair of local kids that nobody wanted four years ago; and Connecticut sophomore forward Caron Butler, who played so well Sunday I thought he was going to turn pro in the middle of the game.

Nope, no upsets here. Just good, consistent teams playing to their talent level. Sunday, No. 1 seed Maryland beat No. 8 Wisconsin and No. 2 seed Connecticut beat No. 7 North Carolina State.

It's too bad Maryland and Connecticut didn't underachieve all season. They could be heroes right now.

Six Gamecocks score NRA awards at rifle championships

From staff reports

The National Rifle Association presented several awards during the NCAA Rifle Championship in Murray, Ky., last weekend and the Gamecocks didn't go unnoticed.

Junior Kelly Dove was named second team All-American for

smallbore rifle and air rifle. To qualify for the second team in smallbore, a shooter's season average had to be between 1160.77 and 1164.08. For second team air gun, the average qualification was 386.73-388.58.

Freshman Kari Baldwin was named to the All-American

Honorable Mention Team for air rifle.

All-Academic awards were given as well and four Gamecocks qualified with a 3.2 grade point average or better: junior Nathan Applebaum, sophomore Jeremy Franklin, sophomore Kevin Simon and Baldwin.

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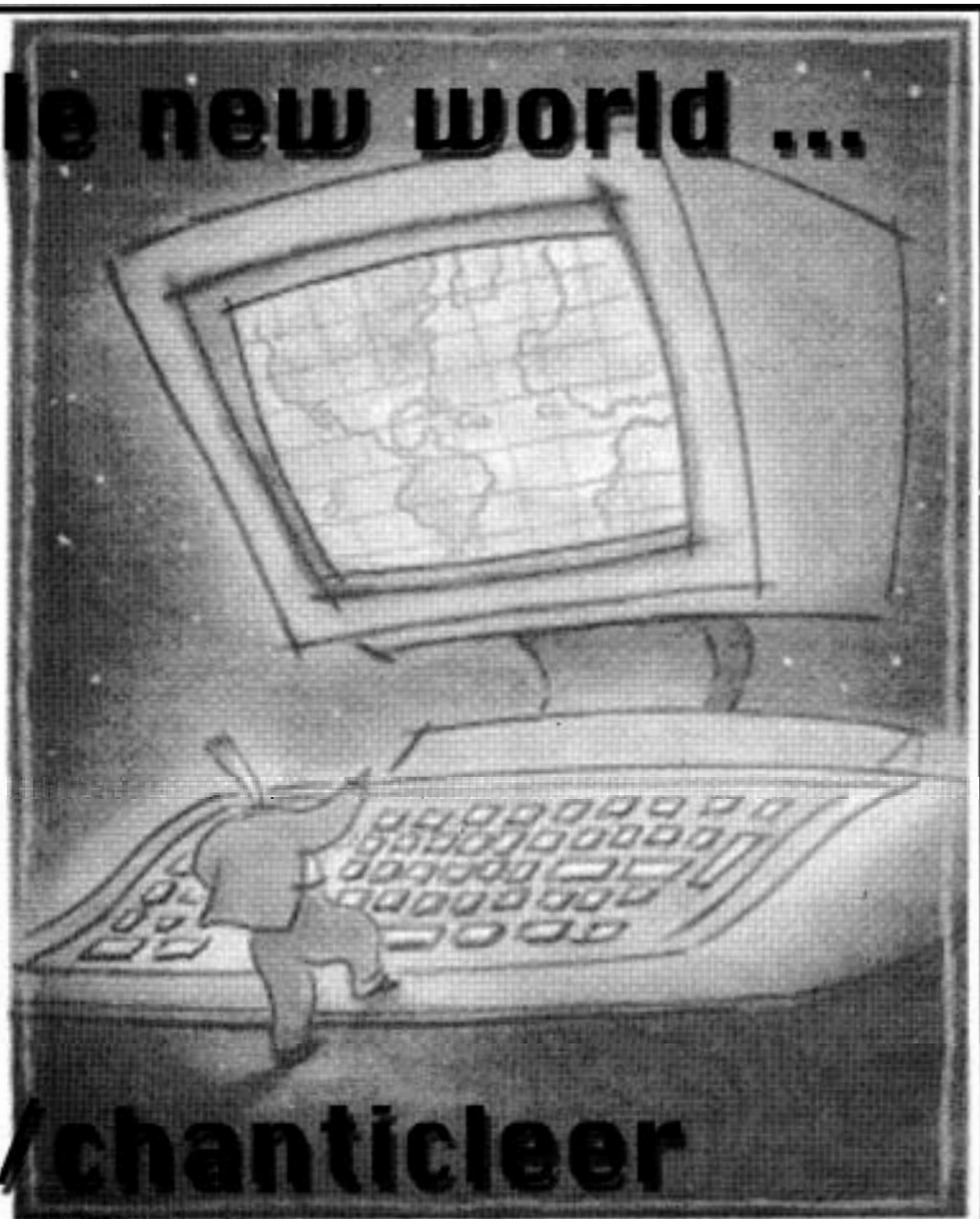
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One on one with "Thrill:" Sophie De'Smet

By Anthony "Thrill" Hill
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

Jax State tennis player **Sophie De'Smet** is a breathe of fresh air. Have you ever gone to another country and simply stared at someone because their accent or conversation was so enchanting?

Sophie and I had a great conversation. She was a load of fun to interview. Sophie was genuinely excited to do the interview and I couldn't help but get excited while I was interviewing her. Out of all the athletes I've interviewed, she's the only one that made me forget what I wanted to ask her in the middle of a question.

De'Smet is just as entertaining on the court. In 1999 she was an All-TAAC performer. Head tennis coach Steve Bailey said she's one of those players you like to coach. Well, she's one of those people who is fun to be around as well. She and I had a conversation right after practice on Monday to talk about anything I could remember to ask her.

Thrill: How are you Sophie?

Sophie: Pretty good and you?

Thrill: I'm doing all right. I can't complain. How was practice today (Monday)?

Sophie: Hot!

Thrill: I can imagine. What's it like to play for Coach Steve Bailey (Head tennis coach)?

Sophie: It's nice. He's a really good coach and I like him a lot.

Thrill: Well, how's the season going? You all look as if you're tearing up the competition. What are we, 7-3 now?

Sophie: I think we're 8-3.

Thrill: OK. Well, how do you feel about the season?

Sophie: It's good. I think we're going to do pretty good this year, hopefully. I think with this being my last year and I want to do the best I can, I want to enjoy it the best I can. As a team, I think we have a lot of experience because most of us are juniors and seniors.

Thrill: Name one tennis player who you model your game after?

Sophie: Pete Sampras.

Thrill: Pete Sampras. So, you play like a guy?

Sophie: (Laughs.) No, but he's my favorite.

Thrill: What do you think about Anna Kournikova?

Do you think she gets too much attention for someone that doesn't win?

Sophie: No, I don't think so. I think a lot of people get jealous. She's gorgeous and she's a good tennis player. I think she could be better, but she's good.



The Chanticleer/Anthony Hill
Senior tennis player Sophie De'Smet.

I like her, and you like her too (Both laugh.)

Thrill: Yep. I'd have to agree with you on that one. That's enough about tennis. What's new in your life?

Sophie: Not much really. (Laughs.) I just study and play tennis.

Thrill: Yeah. I know you have that big test today. How's this semester going for you?

Sophie: Good, very good.

Thrill: What music have you been listening to lately?

Sophie: Just the usual stuff. I like U2 and Radiohead. (Laughs.) I also like the music they play in



Brother's.
Thrill: So, you like to go to Brother's?
Sophie: Yeah.

Thrill: Uh huh. (Both laugh.) What else do you like to do when you have some free time?

Sophie: I like watching movies and hanging out with my friends. I like partying too. I like to play other sports and I love to study because I'm a nerd. (Laughs.)

Thrill: Hey that's not a bad thing to be. What was the best movie



you've seen lately?

Sophie: Um. "The Last Castle."

Thrill: Do you have a boyfriend or anyone special in your life?
Sophie: No. I

like being by myself and I'm very independent. I had a boyfriend for two-and-a-half years and we broke up last year. I just haven't found anyone else yet.

Thrill: Have you decided where you wanted to go after graduation?

Sophie: I'll probably stay in the states and do something.

Thrill: Now you're from Belgium, right?

Sophie: Yeah.

Thrill: How did you end up in lil' ol' Jacksonville?

Sophie: I was on vacation in Spain with some of my family and I met some people from Anniston and they were on the board of trustees for the International House and they

offered me a scholarship. I just applied and I just came over here as an exchange student, to learn English, and I found out by coincidence that we had a tennis team. So I joined the tennis team.

Thrill: Have you enjoyed being here at Jax State?

Sophie: Yeah. Everything is paid for with my scholarship. I really enjoy it here.

Thrill: When is the next time you're going home?

Sophie: This summer. I can't wait.

Thrill: What type of things do you do back in Belgium?

Sophie: Just hang out with my friends and spend a lot of time with my family. I'm going home to take a vacation, travel. I'm going to play a little tennis too. Being at home is nice.

Thrill: Can I go home with you?

Sophie: (Laughs.) Sure, why not? Yes.

Thrill: Is it difficult to attend school so far away from home?

Sophie: Sometimes I get a little homesick. I really don't anymore because this is my fifth year in Jacksonville. I'm pretty used to it now.

Thrill: Yeah. (Pause.) What type of things do you do before games? Do you have any rituals?

Sophie: Yes. I'm very supersti-

tious. For instance, I have to wear the same head band. I have to do things in the same order. Um, I do a thing with the ball and I have a favorite shirt. (Both laugh.) I'm weird. Sally (Pearson) is the same way. She won't walk on any of the lines on the court.

Thrill: That is superstitious. Is it true that people from Belgium speak French and Flammar?

Sophie: Yeah.

Thrill: How many languages do you speak?

Sophie: I speak three and a half. I speak Spanish [OK]. I understand it, but I'm not too fluent.

Thrill: What's your favorite food?



Sophie: (Laughs.) Anything that has to do with chocolate. I love

chocolate. I like French fries too. The fries from Belgium.

Thrill: Do tennis players talk trash during matches? I play a little tennis every now and then and I always talk junk.

Sophie: (Laughs.) Really?

Thrill: Yes.

Sophie: I don't, but the other teams do. (Both laugh.) No, I'm just kidding.

Thrill: Do you have any weaknesses on the court?

Sophie: Yes. I get distracted easily.

Thrill: What distracts you, the fans?

Sophie: Yeah, the fans and my teammates playing next to me. It's difficult sometimes to keep your concentration.

Thrill: OK. Let's do some free association.

Sophie: OK.

Thrill: Radiohead.

Sophie: Very good group.

Thrill: Grass.

Sophie: (Pause.) Green. (Both laugh.)

Thrill: Clay.

Sophie: Tennis court.

Thrill: French Open.

Sophie: The best one.

Thrill: Ruben Herrera (JSU tennis teammate).

Sophie: (Laughs.) Awesome guy.

Thrill: Patrick Rafter (Professional tennis player).

Sophie: My favorite with Pete Sampras.

Thrill: Well Sophie that's it. I enjoyed the interview. Did you enjoy it?

Sophie: It was super cool. I loved it. See you around.



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